

Veterinary Services Europe 100th Medical Detachment (VS HQ)



Commander, 79th Medical Detachment (VS) (SM) (Rear)



MAJ Philip Wentz was born in Lancaster, Wisconsin and entered Army Reserve service in March 1987. He completed basic training at Ft. Leonard Wood, Missouri and Advanced Individual Training at Ft. Sam Houston, Texas. He participated in the ROTC program at the University of Wisconsin-Platteville and commissioned in December 1990. He completed the Medical Service Corps Officer's Basic Course and the Officer's Patient Administration Course at Ft. Sam Houston, Texas in 1991. He completed the Veterinary track of the

Officer's Basic Course in 1995. He received his Bachelor's degree in Animal Science with an emphasis in Science and Biotechnology and a minor in Military Science in December 1990. He received his Doctorate in Veterinary Medicine in May 1995. He completed a 3-year Large Animal Internal Medicine Residency from September 1998 to August 2001 and received a Master's in Science and Biotechnology from Auburn University in December 2001.

MAJ Wentz began his military career as a member of the 73rd Combat Support Hospital in Cedar Rapids, Iowa. As an enlisted soldier, he was a laboratory technician. During his participation in ROTC he was an assistant to the S-4. In 1991, he became Assistant to the Chief of Patient Administration. In 1993, he transferred to the 452nd Combat Support hospital where he worked as the Assistant to the Chief of Clinical Services and then, Chief of Patient Administration. In 1995, he started active duty and served 3 years in the Branch Chief position at Ft. Riley Branch of Veterinary Services. In 2002, he rejoined the reserves and was served as a Veterinary Officer in the 4220th USAH, Shoreham, New York. Due to his geographical location, he was detached to the National AMEDD Augmentation Detachment at Ft. McPherson, Georgia in 2002. Since that time he has supported the Redstone Arsenal Branch of Veterinary Services and the Fort Campbell Branch of Veterinary Services. He supported the Ansbach VTF in Germany during overseas duty training in 2004. He was called to active duty for the first deployment in January of 2005 and assigned to the 79th Medical Detachment.

His awards include, the Army Achievement Medal, Army Reserve Component Achievement Medal, Global War on Terrorism Medal, National Defense Service Medal, the Army Service Ribbon and the Army Reserve Overseas Training Ribbon.

MAJ Wentz was a mixed-large animal veterinarian working for Crocker Animal Hospital in Franklin, Kentucky.